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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, OCLR, MILI, WS

SUBJECT: WESTERN SAMOA: DIPLOMATIC NOTE

REF: WELLINGTON 656

1. THE US COAST GUARD HAS ORDERED ITS VESSEL NORTHWIND
NOT TO PROCEED TO APIA FROM WELLINGTON.

2. EMBASSY IS INSTRUCTED TO DELIVER THE FOLLOWING NOTE TO
THE WESTERN SAMOAN HIGH COMMISSION:

(FORMAL OPENING) AND ON INSTRUCTIONS FROM ITS GOVERNMENT,
HAS THE HONOR TO INFORM THE HIGH COMMISSION THAT IN ACCORD-
ANCE WITH THE HIGH COMMISSION'S NOTE OF FEBRUARY 19 THE US
COAST GUARD CUTTER NORTHWIND HAS BEEN ORDERED NOT TO VISIT
APIA AT THIS TIME.

THE EMBASSY WISHES TO RECALL TO THE HIGH COMMISSION THAT
THE REQUEST MADE FOR PRIOR PAYMENT BEFORE THE TWO VEHICLES
WERE TURNED OVER TO AN AGENT OF THE GOVERNMENT OF WESTERN
SAMOA IN AMERICAN SAMOA WAS IN CONFORMANCE WITH US LAW
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APPLICABLE TO THE FERRYING OF FOREIGN FREIGHT ON US
GOVERNMENT AIRCRAFT.

THE EMBASSY DEEPLY REGRETS THAT EMBARRASSMENT WAS
OCCASIONED TO THE GOVERNMENT OF WESTERN SAMOA BY UN-
AUTHORIZED BROADCASTS AND PUBLICITY FROM AMERICAN SAMOA
ON THE SUBJECT OF TRANSPORTATION BY THE US GOVERNMENT OF

THE TWO WESTERN SAMOAN CARS. GOVERNOR BARNETT OF AMERICAN SAMOA HAS TAKEN STEPS TO INSURE THAT THERE CAN BE NO RECURRENCE OF SUCH UNFORTUNATE PUBLICITY IN THE FUTURE.

FORMAL CLOSE.

3. IN ADDITION, DEPARTMENT SUGGESTS THAT AMBASSADOR MAY WISH TO WRITE A LETTER DIRECTLY TO THE GOWS APOLOGIZING FOR THE INCIDENT, POINTING OUT THAT WE WERE ATTEMPTING TO HELP THE GOWS IN THEIR REQUEST FOR TRANSPORTATION, AND THAT THE UNFORTUNATE PUBLICITY RESULTED FROM THE ACTIONS OF AN INEXPERIENCED AIDE TO GOVERNOR.

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FOLLOWING REPEAT STATE 039123 ACTION WELLINGTON DTD 22 FEB 77.

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